Lincoln County Public Health COVID-19 Prevention Guidance for Workplaces and Businesses

- Workplaces and businesses must exclude employees and patrons from the facility if they are ill (i.e. if they appear to have or are reporting to have cough, fever, shortness of breath or respiratory symptoms of any kind). Sick employees should not return to work until criteria to discontinue home isolation post illness has been met (at least 72 hours have passed since recovery and at least 7 days passed since symptoms first appeared). Employees who are well but have a sick family member at home should notify their supervisor and follow CDC recommended precautions.
- Workplaces and businesses are encouraged to review or create flexible sick leave policies and make employees aware of the policies.
- Workplaces and businesses are encouraged to provide COVID-19 prevention education in the workplace, in the form of CDC informational flyers available through the CDC COVID19 website.
- Workplaces and businesses should enforce social distancing of at least 6 feet between employee's or use teleworking whenever possible. This is to help prevent one persons' respiratory droplets from another person's immediate space.
- Places of public accommodation should enforce the 10 person or less limit on persons gathered (this number includes patrons and employees gathered in one area) while maintaining appropriate physical distance from person to person.
- Encourage frequent handwashing with soap and water. Encourage employees not to
 touch their face, nose, eyes, or mouth with unwashed hands. Provide tissues and hand
 sanitizer throughout the business. Instruct employees to cover coughs and sneezes into
 an elbow or by using a tissue.
- Disinfect high touch surfaces as much as possible. These surfaces include doorknobs, light switches, telephones, keyboards, handrails, computer mice, desks, tables, chair armrests, faucets, sinks, toilets, etc.

- Encourage the handling of payments via an indirect source such as an app or over the phone. If payment in person is necessary, maintain at least 6 feet of distance between people and wash hands after each transaction or sanitize customer point of sale keypad/devices after each transaction.
- Consider whether work related travel is necessary. Consider using video conferencing or teleconferencing in lieu of in person meetings and gatherings. If those methods are unavailable, hold meetings in open, well ventilated areas and maintain appropriate physical distancing between each person.
- For employees making travel plans, please refer them to the CDC's current travel recommendations or refer to Lincoln County Public Health's travel guidelines available on www.lcwy.org/departments/public_health/covid-19_information.php. Advise traveling employees to check for symptoms upon return and to stay home if they are sick. If they have visited a place that has active cases of COVID-19 the employee may need to self isolate at home for 14 days to monitor themselves for developing symptoms.

Please call Lincoln County Public Health with questions or concerns

Phone: 307-885-9598 (Afton) Email: covid19@lcwy.org

Other Resources

Star Valley Health Symptom Triage Hotline: **307-885-5007**

South Lincoln Medical Center Symptom Triage Hotline: 307-800-8719

CDC Guidance for Businesses:

www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/organizations/businesses-employers.html

Star Valley Health: star Valley Health: starvalleyhealth.org/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19/

South Lincoln Medical Center: facebook.com/South-Lincoln-Hospital-District-288117818356479/

Wyoming Department of Health:

health.wyo.gov/publichealth/infectious-disease-epidemiology-unit/disease/novel-coronavirus/

Lincoln County Public Health:

https://www.lcwy.org/departments/public health/covid-19 information.php